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Dear Mr. Machak:

The Central Intelligence Agency has received a number of Freedom of Information requests for articles or book reviews from a classified CIA publication, Studies in Intelligence. In order to accelerate future responses to these requests, we have decided to review all issues of Studies, which commenced publication in 1955, for possible declassification and release. We have determined that the enclosed article or book review contains information of interest to your Agency.

Enclosed is: "The US Decision to Go Big in Vietnam", volume 29, number One, Spring 1985, SECRET [redacted] For your information we are recommending to CIA components that this article be released with the approval of all concerned parties, since much of the information contained in it came out through the Pentagon Papers, Westmorland vs. CBS, etc.

Please review the enclosure under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, and return it to us with your determination that, as far as your agency equities are concerned, it may be declassified and released, should be denied in whole, or can be released in a sanitized form. Please indicate those portions you wish deleted by enclosing them in red brackets and indicating the appropriate FOIA exemption.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please call

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Sincerely,

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